

**R E M A R K S**

The *Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment...* dated January 04, 2011, stated that the proposed amendments to the claims filed 10/25/2010, do not show the proper deletion by strikethrough, because claim 1 does not contain the prior language “in the subject” which was found in line 4 of claim 1 in the earlier paper from January 04 2010, nor does it strike through (delete) this language. The Examiner correctly notes that it is not clear whether this text is to be deleted or is inadvertently missing.

Applicants apologize for this clerical error and submit an amended claim set in which this phrase is now shown to be deleted by strikethrough (appearing in line 9 of the current version of claim 1). Actually, this language is moved to a different location in the claim (in modified form: “...a nucleic acid sample from the human subject...”)

Applicants are correcting an additional omission in claim 1: in the last line, the language “gram positive infection or...” was inadvertently omitted. This language was added in line 2 and further recited in line 11. This language has now been inserted in the last line.

It is believed that the section “**Amendments to the Claims**” is now in compliance with the Rules.

The remaining Remarks in the amendment of October 25, 2010 are not repeated in this paper.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing claims as amended and their allowance.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned for any required clarifications, to discuss any remaining further impediments to allowance

Respectfully submitted,

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